



**Erwin Presbyterian Church**

Trinity Sunday \* May 26, 2024 \* 11:00 a.m.  
105 N. Elm Ave., Erwin, TN 37650 \* 423-743-3431\*  
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**Prelude**  
Ethan Thomas, organist

*Lord, Let Thy Spirit*

arr. John Duro

**Welcome and Announcements**

The Rev. Dr. Ramy Marcos

**Introit**

*My Country, 'Tis of Thee*

Green Hymnbook #807 v. 4

**\* Call to Worship (Based on Psalm 29)**

Denise Rose

Leader: The voice of the Lord is powerful;  
the voice of the Lord is majestic.

**All: The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;  
the Lord is enthroned as King forever.**

Leader: The Lord gives strength to his people;  
the Lord blesses his people with peace

**All: We come to worship our God;  
Glory to the name of the Lord!**

**\*Hymn**

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

Red Hymnbook, #244

**Call to Confession (based on Romans 8:12-17)**

Denise Rose

Leader: The separation we feel from God's Spirit is not our ultimate reality. Acknowledging those things that distract us from God's call on our lives can re-center our work, our play, and the flourishing of the community. Let us confess responsively that which we may need to acknowledge in order that we may live fully.

**Prayer of Confession**

Denise Rose

Leader: For times we embrace war when you call for peace.

**All: Forgive us.**

Leader: For times we dehumanize our neighbor instead of loving them.

**All: Forgive us.**

Leader: For times we serve powers and principalities rather than you, our Servant Savior.

**All: Forgive us.**

Leader: For selectively hearing your good news of grace for us without considering the same for others.

**All: Forgive us.**

Leader: For seeing ourselves less than the full person you created in beauty with delight.

**All: Forgive us and grant us peace.**

*(Please take a moment of silent confession)*

**Assurance of Pardon (John 3:16-17)**

Denise Rose

Leader: “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.”

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**\*Gloria Patri**

Red Hymnbook, #546

**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.**

**\*The Peace**

The Rev. Dr. Ramy Marcos

Pastor: Jesus said, “My peace I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not let them be afraid.” May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

Pastor: Please take a moment to greet one another and share the peace of Christ.

**First Scripture Reading-Romans 8:12-17**

Denise Rose

<sup>12</sup> Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation—but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. <sup>13</sup> For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

<sup>14</sup> For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. <sup>15</sup> The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “*Abba, Father.*” <sup>16</sup> The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. <sup>17</sup> Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Anthem**

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

Red Hymnbook #521

## **Prayer for Illumination**

The Rev. Dr. Ramy Marcos

### **Second Scripture Reading-Isaiah 6:1-8**

<sup>1</sup> In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup> Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. <sup>3</sup> And they were calling to one another:

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

<sup>4</sup> At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke.

<sup>5</sup> “Woe to me!” I cried. “I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the Lord Almighty.”

<sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup> With it he touched my mouth and said, “See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for.”

<sup>8</sup> Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?”

And I said, “Here am I. Send me!”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Sermon**

**I Saw the Lord**

The Rev. Dr. Ramy Marcos

## **Introduction**

### **First, See the Glory**

## **Second, Feel the Touch**

## **Third, Hear the Call**

## **Conclusion**

### **\*Declaration of Faith (The Nicene Creed)**

Denise Rose

Leader: Let's declare our faith.

**All: 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 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 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 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. We believe in 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.**

**Prayer of the People**

The Rev. Dr. Ramy Marcos

*Ends with The Lord's Prayer*

**All: 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.**

**Offering**

*Invitation to the Offering*

Denise Rose

Leader: This is a time to pray and discern how God may be asking you to use the blessings of your life to build up God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. Those blessings may be your money, your time, or a skill you have worked to gain over time. God gave us all these blessings. Would you consider sharing some part of these blessings for God's purpose in this world? Let us pray. Let us discern. Let us give.

*(may the ushers move forward and collect the offering)*

*Offertory Music*

*Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*

**\*Doxology**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Red Hymnbook, #544

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

Denise Rose

Leader: Teach us to give our whole lives to you. May the treasure become not the money gathered here but the mission of your love in the world. For the giver, the gift, and the soon gifted, we give you thanks and praise.

**All: Amen.**

**\*Hymn**

*Here I Am, Lord*

Green Hymnal #589

**\*Benediction**

The Rev. Dr. Ramy Marcos

**\*Benediction Response**

*Shalom*

**Shalom to you now, Shalom my friends.  
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.  
In all your living and through your loving,  
Christ be your Shalom. Christ be your Shalom.**

**Postlude**

*Hymn to the Trinity*

arr. Robert J. Huges

Ethan Thomas, organist

**Notes:**

*\*Responses with an asterisk indicate standing. Please stand as you are able.*

**Sources for Worship Liturgy:** The liturgy is based on *The Presbyterian Outlook*.

**Welcome Visitors:** Welcome! If you are visiting, please fill out one of the green visitor's cards from the pew and place it in the offering plate. We are glad you are here! Hope to see you again soon!

## **Announcements:**

**Father's Day Potluck** – Father's Day potluck will be June 9, immediately after church in the fellowship hall. Everyone is welcome! This is the week before Father's Day, and we want to celebrate our dads early! We will have hot dogs, sausage dogs, and chicken as a main meal, along with all the wonderful side dishes and desserts. The sign-up sheet will be in the narthex. Please let the Congregational Care team know what you will bring or contact Ellen Sewell (423) 220-9169. If you are interested in helping decorate, meet at the church at 10 a.m. on Friday, June 7.

**Mission Trip** – Erwin Presbyterian Church will send eight youth and three adults on a mission trip to Washington D. C., June 12-16. We are asking our congregation to help, by donating some food and snack items. If you are able to help, or have any questions, please contact Denise Rose at (423)741-4806.

**Lucille Bogart Scholarship** – Submission of applications for the spring semester is now open. The deadline to submit your application is Friday, May 24, 2024. Please contact Byron Beard with any questions.

**Please Follow Us** – Do you know that we are on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube? Please like, follow, and share! It is a great way to learn about and to share our church activities. Simply look us up at: Erwin Presbyterian Church.

**Office Closed** – Please note that the office will be closed Monday, May 27 in observance of Memorial Day.

**Food Collection** – The food pantry item for May is canned fruit.

**Elder of the Month** – Green Faircloth

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