

### Worship Leaders

The Rev. Timothy Merrill, the Rev. John Willison,  
Stephen Minister Judy Kim

**Our musicians:** Sara Preus and Ignatius Banda

**Acolytes:** Natalie Williamson, Masha Doering, Sarah Dai

**Greeters:** Holly Raatz, Sarah Dai

**Communion Bread Provider:** Tong Doering

**Friendship Bakers:** Rachel Pranesh

**Hospitality Hosts:** Ginger Merritt, Judy Kim, Suzanne Byerly

**Set-up, Clean-up:** Patrick Carroll and the Boyer Family

**Altar Flowers:** Michelle Barini

**Sunday School Teachers:** FAMILY SUNDAY — No Sunday school

**Anniversary banners:** Joan Lueth

### CALENDAR

**Next Sunday, May 13:** Mother's Day—Flowers for all the women! We honor our 2018 High School graduates.

**Monday, May 14:** Board meeting, the last before summer break. Meet at Judy Kim's, at 6:52 p.m., Green Court 1, Building 19/702. (Enter at the Huangyang entrance opposite TIMES grocery.)

**Sunday, May 20:** Bring Rice and Oil; PENTECOST SUNDAY and CONFIRMATION SUNDAY! On Pentecost Sunday, we customarily bring gifts of rice and oil which are donated to The Renewal Center.

**Sunday, June 3:** Annual Meeting, and Subway Sunday.

**Sunday, June 10:** Last worship before Summer break.

**Sunday, August 12:** First worship service after summer break.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

- For Paul Pierce, 67, seriously ill in a Shanghai hospital.
- Shi, Shan Shan is a Chinese national about 35, who was studying English in an international program in the US and living with an American family there — with whom Pastor Timothy has a connection. She was with this family for several years and they became close. Shan Shan returned to Shanghai April 13, and the American family has not heard from her except for two photos she sent indicating she was in a Shanghai hospital. PT has not been able to locate her. Pray for her and the American family.
- Pray for those traveling: Todd and Kathy Gordon to US for Bryce's college graduation and others
- Pray for our confirmands, that God's word will grow richly in them.
- Pray for the leaders of the US and North Korea and other parties involved, that movement toward denuclearization and a de-escalation of tensions may result in peace in our region.
- Pray for our host country and its leaders.

Please let PT know of your prayer request: [revtfmerrill@aol.com](mailto:revtfmerrill@aol.com)

根据中华人民共和国的法律，只允许外国护照持有人在场参加。  
In accordance with the laws of the People's Republic of China, only foreign passport holders are allowed to attend services here at Trinity Congregation.

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### THE LORD'S PRAYER:

*Celebrant sings first; Congregation second time*

Musical score for The Lord's Prayer. The score is written in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of two parts: a celebrant part and a congregation part. The lyrics are: "Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name; thy - king - dom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly bread; and for - give us our tres - pas - ses as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - li - ver us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er, and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er." The score includes dynamic markings such as *p*, *rall.*, *a tempo*, *mf*, and *cresc.* and a note that the final part is an *attacca Peace Prayer*.



### THANK YOU SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS!

Deborah Johnston, Dagne Furth, Dan Forbes, Eleanor Williamson, Carol Willison, Karen Eekhoff, Harper Lagares, Dechelle Lagares, Henricus Peters

# TRINITY CONGREGATION

OF ABUNDANT GRACE

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SHANGHAI



SIXTH SUNDAY OF  
EASTERTIDE

MAY 6, 2018 11 AM

Please remember to silence your smartphone and other devices during the worship service! Thank you!

# THE GUIDE TO MORNING WORSHIP

*\* All who are able may rise to praise God.*

**Prelude:** *Fugue in D major*, by M. Reger Ignatius Banda

**\*Processional Hymn:** *God Whose Love Is Reigning O'er Us* No. 100

**\*Call to Worship** Tony and Dechelle Lagares and Family

**\*Invocation** Judy Kim

**\*Sharing the Peace**

**Welcome and Announcements** Pastor Timothy

**Teacher Recognition Ceremony**

**Epistle Reading:** *1 John 5:1-6* Henricus Peters

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Vocal Interlude: "Day by Day"** Tim Geisler, James Stovall

**\*The Gospel Reading:** *John 15:9-17* Pastor John

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

*Reader:* The Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to you Lord Christ.**

**Sermon: "A Quick Study in TOK"** Pastor Timothy

**\*Hymn of Response: *More Love to Thee, O Christ*** No. 453

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer:** *(Minister sings, first; congregation second time—see back panel)*

**Conversation with the Children** Pastor Timothy

**Offertory**

**"All Praise to Thee"** No. 682 *Verse 5 only*

*(Sung as a round, MEN begin, and WOMEN follow at circle)*

## HOLY COMMUNION



(Want to follow the complete liturgy without the truncated text below? Use your smartphone [in SILENT mode] and go to the website, TrinityShanghai.org. Select "Holy Communion Liturgies," and click on BLUE liturgy and follow along.)

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you;

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts;

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God;

**It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

*Celebrant:* All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all place, our true and loving God, through Jesus Christ your Eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom your created all things. You laid the foundations of the world, and *[Celebrant continues]* ... And so, as the morning stars sing your praises, we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

**People (singing): "Sanctus"**

*Congregation:*

*Celebrant:* Glory, honor and praise are yours, Creator of all. Your Word has never been silent. You called a people to yourself to be a light to the nations. *[Celebrant continues]* ... longing for your return in glory, presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we cry to you, O Lord:

**\*People (singing):**

Celebrant sings first; people repeat

Send your Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of Christ. Grant that we, being alive to your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time, gather us with all your people into the joy of our true, eternal home. Through Christ, and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Spirit, all honor, glory and praise to you, O God, now and forever.

**\*People (singing): "Amen"**

Celebrant sings first; people repeat

*Celebrant:* We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**People: We who are many are one body, for we all share in one bread.**

*[We practice "Open Communion" — which means that even if you are visiting with us today, you are welcome to participate. Ushers will release each row in turn and each row will go to the front by the SIDE aisles, and return by the CENTER aisle. The following instructions may help you feel comfortable as you take communion. First, receive the bread from the server and then either dip it in a bowl with grape juice, or dip it in the cup with wine and then partake and return to your seat. Or, you may receive the bread and partake, and then proceed to the Common Cup in the center which is wine, and drink from it, and return to your seat. Do not be afraid to ask a question of the server if you are unsure. No worries!]*

**Communion Servers:**

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**UNISON Post-Communion Prayer**

Pastor Timothy

**Holy God we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**\*Recessional Hymn: *O Word of God Incarnate***

No. 598

**Benediction**

Pastor John

**Postlude: *Carillon de Westminster*, by L. Vierne**

Ignatius Banda

PLEASE STAY FOR FRIENDSHIP HOUR

2008-2018 BANNERS

The Chinese character for the number ten resembles a cross. The calligraphy number ten on the banner was written by Evelyn Lim. When combined with the Trinity Celtic cross, the design represents our international lives of faith in Shanghai for the previous ten years and moving into the future. —Joan Lueth

**Please feel free to contact our pastors:**

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