



BENSON MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, RALEIGH, NC

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Sunday, May 31, 2026*

*First Sunday after Pentecost | Trinity Sunday*

TRINITY CHIMES

† WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

*Holy, Holy, Holy*  
(John Dykes, arr. Matt Schinske)

INTROIT

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

Benson Memorial Chancel Choir

\* GREETING

Terry Simpson, Lay Reader

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**We rejoice and are glad as we gather in Jesus' name.**

We celebrate the goodness of our God.

**The Lord is all compassion, merciful and mighty.**

\* OPENING HYMN

*How Great Thou Art*

UMH 77

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

REFRAIN:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;  
how great thou art, how great thou art!  
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how great thou art, how great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,  
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;  
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur  
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze; [REFRAIN]

**GUEST WIFI PASSWORD: welcome2bmumc!**

\* Please stand as you are able. † Please register your attendance in the friendship pads.  
Children are welcome in the service. Children's worship bags are in the narthex.  
Nursery care is available in room 113 in the Fellowship Building.

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
he bled and died to take away my sin; [REFRAIN]

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,  
and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art! [REFRAIN]

\* OPENING PRAYER

**Everlasting God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and ever live and reign in the perfect unity of love. Grant that we may always hold firmly and joyfully to this faith and, living in praise of your divine majesty, may finally be one in you; who are three persons in one God, forever and ever. Amen.** (Church of South India, BOW412)

FIRST READING

*[Psalm 8](#)*

ANTHEM

*I Sing the Almighty Power of God*  
(arr. Donald McCullough)

Benson Memorial Chimes  
and Chancel Choirs

SECOND READING

*[Matthew 28:16–20](#)*

SERMON

*Someone to Believe In*

The Reverend Alan Felton

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*Apostles' Creed*

UMH 881

**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 catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\* GLORIA PATRI

UMH 70

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

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Children of the Heavenly Father*  
(Swedish Melody, arr. Jeffrey Honoré)

\* DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\* CLOSING HYMN

*Go, Make of All Disciples*

UMH 571

“Go, make of all disciples.” We hear the call, O Lord,  
that comes from thee, our Father, in thy eternal Word.  
Inspire our ways of learning through earnest, fervent prayer,  
and let our daily living reveal thee everywhere.

“Go, make of all disciples,” baptizing in the name  
of Father, Son, and Spirit, from age to age the same.  
We call each new disciple to follow thee, O Lord,  
redeeming soul and body by water and the Word.

“Go, make of all disciples.” We at thy feet would stay  
until each life’s vocation accents thy holy way.  
We cultivate the nature God plants in every heart,  
revealing in our witness the master teacher’s art.

“Go, make of all disciples.” We welcome thy command.  
“Lo, I am with you always.” We take thy guiding hand.  
The task looms large before us; we follow without fear;  
in heaven and earth thy power shall bring God’s kingdom here.

\* DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\* TRINITY CHIMES

\* POSTLUDE

*All Creatures of Our God and King*  
(arr. Joshua Evanovich)

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### **REQUEST FOR PRAYER**

If you would have an urgent and private request for prayer, please contact Terry Simpson at [cterryz@bellsouth.net](mailto:cterryz@bellsouth.net).

### **REQUEST FOR VISITATION**

If you know someone undergoing surgery or who would like to be added to the lay pastor visitation list, please contact Leta Grady at (919) 270-2228. All calls are confidential.

### **STAFF**

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