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Leader's Guide

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Notes and Ordering Information

All Things New is a complete order of service for Trinity Sunday, the first Sunday after Pentecost. Bible readings and three short meditations focus on how each person of the Trinity—the Father, Son and Holy Spirit—makes all things new for us in our life of faith. The kit includes the hymns “Come, Thou Almighty King,” “Alleluia! Let Praises Ring,” and “Glory Be to God the Father.” Kits are not returnable.

Code **TR3** • Kit includes an order of service, Bible readings, prayers, three meditations, a children’s sermon, music, as well as a CD-ROM (Mac/PC) with the text of the entire kit in .rtf (rich text format) and a PowerPoint document of the entire service with text (with a copyright release) for use on screens.

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Newsletter/Bulletin Notices

Newsletter Notice

We invite you to join us for a uniquely-crafted worship service for Trinity Sunday as we praise our Triune God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Specially selected Bible readings, hymns, prayers and mini-meditations combine to show that each person of the Trinity makes all things new for us in extraordinary ways by God's great design.

Bulletin Notice

Thank you for joining us for the uniquely-crafted worship service for Trinity Sunday as we praise our Triune God—Father, Son and Holy Spirit—on this festival day. Let the specially selected Bible readings, hymns, prayers and mini-meditations in this worship service reveal to you that each person of the Trinity makes all things new for you in extraordinary ways by God's great design.

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Complete Script For Worship Leaders

- *The Opening Hymn is sung by the congregation to tune Italian Hymn 664 66 64:*

Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing;
Help us to praise; Father all glorious, o'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword;
Our prayer attend. Come and thy people bless, and give thy Word success,
And let thy righteousness on us descend.

Come, holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour! Thou, who almighty art, now rule in ev'ry heart,
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To thee, great one in three, eternal praises be
Hence evermore! Thy sov'reign majesty may we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore.

- The **Responsive Reading**, Psalm 104:24, 29-31, is spoken responsively by the pastor and the congregation:

P O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all;

C The earth is full of your creatures.

P When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die.

C When you send forth your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the ground.

P May the glory of the LORD endure forever;

C May the LORD rejoice in his works.

- The **Confession and Absolution** is spoken responsively by the pastor and the congregation:

P We pray that the Lord would not hide his face from us. Let us confess our sins and ask his forgiveness.

C Almighty God, we confess that we have turned away from your will to follow our own sinful desires. We ignore the truth of your Word and listen to the temptations of Satan and the world. Have mercy on us and forgive us. Send forth your Spirit to renew us.

P Out of his great mercy God sent his Son to suffer and die for us. I announce to you that your sins are forgiven in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. God has reconciled us to himself and in the risen Christ he has created us anew for lives of service in Jesus' name.

C May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works!

- The **Hymn of Praise** is sung by the congregation to the tune Old Hundredth LM:

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

- **The Children's Sermon** is delivered by the pastor or other worship leader:

(Needed: 2 copies of the same photograph or online printout of a beautiful landscape; a black felt marker)

- ☐ God created the world. He made the earth and the oceans, the mountains, trees, grass and sky. He made the sun and moon and stars. I have a picture of part of the world God created. What part of this picture do you think is the most beautiful? *(Let children answer.)* God made the world and everything in it. He also made people! The first people were Adam and Eve. When God finished making the world and the first people, he looked at everything he made and saw that it was all very good.

God gave Adam and Eve everything they needed, but he told them not to eat from the fruit of one tree, the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. The devil tempted Eve, and Adam and Eve disobeyed God. They ate the fruit that God told them not to eat. Because they disobeyed God, they could no longer live in the garden God made for them, and one day they would die. Sin and death entered God's good world *(crumple the picture)*. But God loved the people he made. He loves you and me. He promised to send a Savior to crush the devil's power. When the time was right, God sent his Son Jesus into the world to die for our sins, to rise up from the grave and defeat the devil *(smooth the crumpled picture and draw a big cross across the picture)*. Because Jesus died and rose from the grave for us, we have forgiveness for our sins and eternal life. When we are baptized into the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, our sins are washed away and we are made new! *(Place the second, clean copy of the landscape over the crumpled picture.)* The Bible says our old sinful self is gone and we are a new creation! Jesus won the victory over death and the devil. When our Savior comes back on the Last Day, we will rise up from death too, just like he did. God will make creation new again and we will live with him forever! Let's pray:

Jesus, thank you for dying and rising and making us new people. We look forward to the day when we will live with you forever. Amen.

- **The Hymn** is sung by the congregation to the tune *Wir Glauben All (Metrical) 87 77*:

We all believe in one true God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
Ever present help in need, praised by all the heav'nly host;
All he made his love enfolds, all creation he upholds.

We all believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Mary's Son,
Who descended from his throne and for us salvation won;
By whose cross and death are we rescued from all misery.

We all confess the Holy Ghost, who from both in truth proceeds,
Who sustains and comforts us in all trials, fears and needs.
Blessed, holy Trinity, praise forever be to thee!

- **The Old Testament Lesson**, *Genesis 1:26-31*, is spoken by the pastor or other worship leader:

¶ Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. And 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 heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens 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. And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

- **The Meditation: “Very Good”** is delivered by the pastor:

¶ “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.” The Triune God—the Father, Son and Holy Spirit—created the heavens and the earth. He spoke and light appeared. He had only to say the Word and the earth and seas, plants and trees, sun and moon, birds and fish and animals all sprang into existence. Then the Holy Trinity spoke again: “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.” God formed the man and the woman, giving shape to them, giving life to them—“in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.”

The Triune God, who has his own purposes, gave purpose to his newly-made creatures, the man and the woman: “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 heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” God made his people managers and caretakers of the world he created. They were to rule the earth with the wisdom flowing from their identity as creatures made in the image and likeness of their Creator. “God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good.”

Out of his good creation, God provided for the needs of his people. Of plants and trees and fruit he said, “You shall have them for food.” The man and the woman, Adam and Eve, could eat the fruit of every tree in their garden home, except one. “Of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat,” God said, “for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”

“You shall surely die.” The man and the woman chose to disregard, to disobey, the command of God. Eve listened to the tempting arguments of the serpent and ate the fruit that she desired and, she hoped, would make her wise. Adam, who was with her, also ate of the fruit, but it did not give them the hoped-for wisdom. The fruit of that forbidden tree gave them exactly what it promised—the knowledge of good and evil. The knowledge and simple trust of God’s goodness was lost to them, and they now knew evil, the intimate, close-up and personal experience of evil. They rejected and shattered the image of God in which they had been created. Also shattered was their relationship with God, their relationship with one another and with the earth that God had placed in their care.

The man and the woman rejected the purpose of God for themselves, the image of God in them now twisted and distorted. They would, as God commanded, be fruitful and multiply, but now the woman’s pain in childbirth would be multiplied. They would have dominion, but now they would struggle for dominion between themselves and even with the earth itself. But the purpose of the Holy Trinity, established before “the foundation of the world” would not and could not be denied. God promised that the offspring of the woman would bruise the head of the tempting serpent, although the offspring would himself be bruised. Still, a long struggle remained before God’s purpose would be fulfilled, and the tree of life was denied to them—for now.

- *The Hymn is sung by the congregation to the tune Wie Schön Leuchtet 887 887 4444 8:*

Alleluia! Let praises ring!
To God the Father let us bring our songs of adoration.
To him through everlasting days be worship, honor, pow’r and praise,
Whose hand sustains creation. Singing, ringing: Holy, holy,
God is holy; spread the story of our God, the Lord of glory.

- *The Epistle Lesson, 2 Corinthians 5:17-21, is spoken by the pastor or other worship leader:*

¶ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Tune Worcester 87 87 47

Musical score for piano, measures 1-7. The score is in common time (C) and consists of two systems. The first system contains measures 1-6, and the second system contains measures 7-7. The music is written for both the right and left hands. The right hand features a melody with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. A large, diagonal watermark reading "Creative Communications Sample" is overlaid on the page.

- *The Closing Hymn is sung by the congregation to the tune Worcester 87 87 47:*

Glory be to God the Father, glory be to God the Son,
Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One!
Glory, glory while eternal ages run!

Glory be to him who loved us, washed us from each spot and stain;
Glory be to him who bought us, made us kings with him to reign!
Glory, glory, to the Lamb that once was slain!

Glory to the King of angels, glory to the Church's King,
Glory to the King of nations; heav'n and earth, your praises bring!
Glory, glory to the King of glory sing!

Glory, blessing, praise eternal! Thus the choir of angels sings;
Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion! Thus its praise creation brings.
Glory, glory, glory to the King of kings!