

06-12-22 FOR THE JOURNEY THIS WEEK

“The Holy Spirit Jesus speaks of offers the reassurance we need as we face the struggles of our time. As a community of faith, we have much to feel uncertain about—in terms of not only the state of our church but also the future of our world. The Holy Spirit is Jesus’ continued presence with us, meeting us in our time as we grapple with our particular struggles.”

- Elizabeth L. Evans



Romans 5:1-5 ✠ John 16:12-15

Questions for Reflection —

- The traditional Trinitarian formula names the Triune God as “Father, Son, and Holy Spirit”. By what other names do you know/address the persons of the Trinity? What terminology best helps you understand various dimensions of your experience of and relationship to God? By what names do you most commonly address God when you pray? What would it be like for you to pray using other names to address God?

- What difficulties and adversities are you currently facing? How do you see God at work in your life to help you make sense of those struggles? How might God be seeking you in the midst of whatever it is that disrupts your life? How is God presently guiding and shaping you? What spiritual practices help you to feel connected with God during hard times? What gives you hope?

- What uncertainties do we presently face as a community of faith? What are the key struggles of our time for our congregation? For our society? How can we better know the presence of the Holy Spirit to guide us through these times? What does Christian hope look like in face of such uncertainties and tribulations? How can we as a congregation live into that hope? How can we bear witness to and reflect that hope to the world?

Daily Household Prayer

O God, we honor this day the majesty and the mystery of Your Name. You are both infinite and intimate, known and unknowable, transcendent and transparent. In love, You have made us Your own, and invited us to join in Your dance. We will never rest until we rest in You, Blessed Trinity, one God for ever and ever. Amen.