

Holy Trinity Sunday

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OUR SAVIOR EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH

(Wisconsin Synod)

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WORSHIP NOTES We worship the Holy Trinity not only because he is the one true God but because he is our Savior from sin and death. Needing nothing and no one, all three Persons of the one true God have loved us from eternity. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit have graciously rescued us for eternity. For that marvelous work we will praise the Triune God forever.

HOLY COMMUNION Gathering together at God's altar to receive our Lord's body and blood testifies to our unity as members of the Lutheran Church. We ask guests who are not members of our WELS or ELS to speak to our pastor before coming forward for the sacrament. Our hope is that all who join us at the altar will have a thorough understanding of the faith we profess.

Guests: Welcome to all who are visiting with us today!



Holy Trinity

OPENING HYMN "Come, Now, Almighty King" (p. 9) CW, #193

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.** (*spoken*)

PSALM OF REPENTANCE Psalm 32:1-5

P: Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

C: **Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit.**

P: When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.

C: **For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.**

ALL: **Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

CONFESSION

P: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: **Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,**

**For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

ABSOLUTION

P: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant:

I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY *(spoken in unison)*

P: Almighty God and Father, dwelling in majesty and mystery, filling and renewing all creation by your eternal Spirit, and manifesting your saving grace through our Lord Jesus Christ: In mercy cleanse our hearts and lips that, being free from doubt and fear, we may ever worship you, one true immortal God, with your Son and the Holy Spirit, living and reigning, now and forever.

C: Amen. *(spoken)*

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST LESSON **GENESIS 1:1-3**

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 150 (p.12)

The Holy Trinity receives endless praise for the "acts of power" by which he has rescued us.

SECOND LESSON **2 CORINTHIANS 13:11-14**

Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All God's people here send their greetings. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

GOSPEL LESSON **MATTHEW 28:16-20**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him, but some hesitated because they were uncertain. Jesus approached and spoke to them saying, "All authority in heaven and

on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and gather disciples from all nations by baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and by teaching them to keep all the instructions I have given you. And surely I am with you always until the end of the age.”

RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!** (*spoken*)

ATHANASIAN CREED

This creed is named after St. Athanasius, a staunch defender of the Christian faith in the Fourth Century. It was prepared to assist the Church in combating two errors that undermined Bible teaching. One error denied that God's Son and the Holy Spirit are of one being or Godhead with the Father. The other error denied that Jesus Christ is true God and true man in one person.

The Athanasian Creed continues to serve the Christian Church as a standard of the truth. It declares that whoever rejects the doctrine of the Trinity and the doctrine of Christ is without the saving faith. At the same time the Church boldly proclaims her confidence in the mystery of the triune God, the Holy Trinity who has given himself for our salvation.

P: Whoever wishes to be saved must, above all else, hold to the true Christian faith.

C: **Whoever does not keep this faith pure in all points will certainly perish forever.**

P: Now this is the true Christian faith: We worship one God in three persons and three persons in one God, without mixing the persons or dividing the divine being. For each person -- the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit -- is distinct, but the deity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one, equal in glory and coeternal in majesty.

C: **What the Father is, so is the Son, and so is the Holy Spirit.**

P: The Father is uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated; the Father is infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite; the Father is eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal. Yet they are not three who are eternal, but there is one who is eternal, just as they are not three who are uncreated, nor three who are infinite, but there is one who is uncreated and one who is infinite.

In the same way the Father is almighty, the Son is almighty, the Holy Spirit is almighty; yet they are not three who are almighty, but there is one who is almighty. So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God; yet they are not three Gods, but one God. So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord; yet they are not three Lords, but one Lord.

For just as Christian truth compels us to confess each person individually to be God and Lord, so the true Christian faith forbids us to speak of three Gods or three Lords. The Father is neither made nor created nor begotten of anyone. The Son is neither made nor created, but is begotten of the Father alone. The Holy Spirit is neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeds from the Father and the Son. So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

And within this Trinity none comes before or after; none is greater or inferior, but all three persons are coequal and coeternal, so that in every way, as stated before, all three persons are to be worshiped as one God and one God worshiped as three persons.

C: Whoever wishes to be saved must have this conviction of the Trinity.

P: It is furthermore necessary for eternal salvation truly to believe that our Lord Jesus Christ also took on human flesh. Now this is the true Christian faith:

C: We believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and man.

P: He is God, eternally begotten from the nature of the Father, and he is man, born in time from the nature of his mother, fully God, fully man, with rational soul and human flesh, equal to the Father as to his deity, less than the Father as to his humanity; and though he is both God and man, Christ is not two persons but one; one, not by changing the deity into flesh, but by taking the humanity into God; one, indeed, not by mixture of the natures, but by unity in one person; for just as the rational soul and flesh are one human being, so God and man are one Christ.

He suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose the third day from the dead. He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty, and from there will come to judge the living and the dead. At his coming all people will rise with their own bodies to answer for their personal deeds. Those who have done good will enter eternal life, but those who have done evil will go into eternal fire.

C: This is the true Christian faith. Whoever does not faithfully and firmly believe this cannot be saved.

HYMN OF THE DAY

“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty” (p.10)

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SERMON

Matthew 28:16-20

OUR GREAT ONE-IN-THREE GOD!

1. He claims us 2. He sends us 3. He empowers us

PRAISE AND PRAYER

OFFERING

While the offerings are being collected, members are reminded to fill in the Friendship Register and pass the entire pad to the next person. Visitors, please include your email and phone number, so we can thank you for worshiping with us.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH -- Holy Trinity

Triune God, you are the one eternal God, whose name we praise forever. We could not have known you, our only Savior, if you had not revealed yourself to us as Father, Son, and Spirit -- three persons, yet one God. Remove from us all unbelief, and grant us humble faith as we contemplate this high and holy mystery. Scatter all those who are wise in their own conceits.

Give each of us a simple, childlike trust to worship you as the one and only true God, the Holy Trinity.

God our Father, whatever good is in us, whatever good we have, and whatever good we do comes from you alone. In you we live and move and have our being.

Open our eyes to see the gifts you shower down on us daily -- purely out of your own fatherly love and care.

Lord Jesus our Savior, you came into our world to make the Father known to us; you joined yourself to us by taking on our humanity; you brought us back to God by shedding your blood. In love you walked the way of suffering and carried alone the wrath of God that we by our sins deserved. Help us believe that all you did, all you suffered, and all you endured you did for us, to rescue us and set us free. Fill our hearts with the bright new hope of your resurrection.

Teach us to offer our daily lives to praise the Lord and love our neighbor.

Creator Spirit, you have opened our eyes by the bright light of your Word; you have burst through our deafness with the clear sound of your voice in the Scriptures; you have breathed into us new life by the power of the gospel. Through Word and sacrament, help us grow in understanding the breadth and depth and height of the love of God.

Make us firm in our resolve to do battle with our sin. In every weakness be our strength.

O triune God, lead us to show ourselves to be your true children: faithful in prayer, constant in hope, and fervent in love.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer

O Holy Trinity, you are the God of glory, the God of grace, the God of every comfort. From you and through you and to you are all things.

We rejoice to call you Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and so to praise your holy name forever. Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT

DISTRIBUTION HYMN “Alleluia! Let Praises Ring” (p.13) CW21, 481

PRAYER

P: Almighty God, grant to your Church the Holy Spirit and the wisdom that comes from above. Let nothing hinder your Word from being freely proclaimed to the joy and edifying of Christ’s holy people, so that we may serve you in steadfast faith and confess your name as long as we live, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.** (*spoken*)

BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.



C: **A - men. A - men. A - men.**

CLOSING SONG “God of Mercy, God of Grace” (p.14) CW93, 249

TRINITY

The Bible and Lutherans teach that there is only one true God. This God is invisible, holy, eternal, and has all power and wisdom. In the Bible God reveals himself as three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This is why he is called "Triune." These three persons in one God are all God. They are equal in power, glory, and in every other quality. To deny or ignore one person is to deny all of them. It is God who created, redeemed, and sanctified us.

Deuteronomy 6:4; Matthew 28:19; John 5:23; Genesis 1:1; 1 John 2:2; Romans 15:13

JUSTIFICATION BY GRACE THROUGH FAITH

1. We believe that God has justified all sinners, that is, he has declared them righteous for the sake of Christ. This is the central message of Scripture upon which the very existence of the church depends. It is a message relevant to people of all times and places, of all races and social levels, for "the result of one trespass was condemnation for all men" (Romans 5:18). All need forgiveness of sins before God, and Scripture proclaims that all have been justified, for "the result of one act of righteousness was justification that brings life for all men" (Romans 5:18).

2. We believe that individuals receive this free gift of forgiveness not on the basis of their own works, but only through faith (Ephesians 2:8,9). Justifying faith is trust in Christ and his redemptive work. This faith justifies not because of any power it has in itself, but only because of the salvation prepared by God in Christ, which it embraces (Romans 3:28; 4:5). On the other hand, although Jesus died for all, Scripture says that "whoever does not believe will be condemned" (Mark 16:16). Unbelievers forfeit the forgiveness won for them by Christ (John 8:24).

3. We believe that people cannot produce this justifying faith, or trust, in their own hearts, because "the man without the Spirit does not accept the things that come from the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him" (1 Corinthians 2:14). In fact, "the sinful mind is hostile to God" (Romans 8:7). It is the Holy Spirit who gives people faith to recognize that "Jesus is Lord" (1 Corinthians 12:3). The Holy Spirit works this faith by means of the gospel (Romans 10:17). We believe, therefore, that a person's conversion is entirely the work of God's grace. Rejection of the gospel is, however, entirely the unbeliever's own fault (Matthew 23:37).

4. We believe that sinners are saved by grace alone. Grace is the undeserved love of God for sinners. This love led God to give sinners everything they need for their salvation. It is all a gift of God. People do nothing to earn any of it (Ephesians 2:8,9).

5. We believe that already before the world was created, God chose those individuals whom he would in time convert through the gospel of Christ and preserve in faith to eternal life (Ephesians 1:4-6; Romans 8:29,30). This election to faith and salvation in no way was caused by anything in people but shows how completely salvation is by grace alone (Romans 11:5,6).

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Come, Now, Almighty King

1 Come, now, al - might - y King; Help us your
 2 Come, now, in - car - nate Word; Put on your
 3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er; Your sa - cred
 4 To the great One in Three E - ter - nal

name to sing; Help us to praise. Fa - ther all -
 might - y sword; Our prayer at - tend. Come and your
 wit - ness bear In this glad hour. Your sev'n - fold
 prais - es be For - ev - er - more! His sov - 'reign

glo - ri - ous, O'er all vic - to - ri - ous,
 peo - ple bless, And give your Word suc - cess;
 gifts im - part; Now rule in ev - 'ry heart;
 maj - es - ty May we in glo - ry see

Come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 Grant us your right - eous - ness, Sav - ior and Friend.
 Nev - er from us de - part, Spir - it of Pow'r.
 And to e - ter - ni - ty Love and a - dore.

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4 Ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee;
 Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 Though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y,
 Cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 On - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y,

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 Who was and is and ev - er - more shall be.
 Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

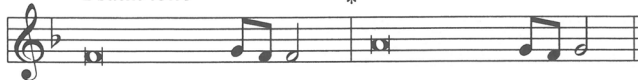


Psalm 150

Refrain



Psalm tone



Praise God in his sanctuáry;*
praise him in his mighty héavens.

Praise him for his acts of pówer;*
praise him for his surpassing gréatness.

Refrain

Praise him with the sounding of the trúmpet,*
praise him with the hárp and lyre,

praise him with tambourine and dáncing,*
praise him with s'trings and flute,

praise him with the clash of cýmbals,*
praise him with resounding cýmbals.

Refrain

Let everything that has breath práise the LORD.*
Práise the LORD.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son*
and to the Holy S'pirit,
as it was in the b'eginning,*
is now, and will be forever. Ámen.

Refrain

Alleluia! Let Praises Ring

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1 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! To God the Fa - ther
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to the Lamb of
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to the Ho - ly
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! Let prais-es ring! Un - to our tri - une



let us bring our songs of ad - o - ra - tion.
 God we sing, in whom we are e - lect - ed.
 Ghost we sing for our re - gen - er - a - tion.
 God we sing; blest be his name for - ev - er!



To him through ev - er - last - ing days be wor - ship,
 He bought his Church with his own blood, he cleansed her
 The sav - ing faith in us he wrought and us un -
 With an - gel hosts let us a - dore and sing his



hon - or, pow'r, and praise whose hand sus - tains cre - a - tion.
 in that bless - ed flood and as his bride se - lect - ed.
 to the Bride - groom brought, made us his cho - sen na - tion.
 prais - es more and more for all his grace and fa - vor.




Sing - ing, ring - ing: ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;
 Ho - ly, ho - ly is our un - ion and com - mun - ion;
 Glo - ry! Glo - ry! Joy e - ter - nal, bliss su - per - nal;
 Sing - ing, ring - ing: ho - ly, ho - ly, God is ho - ly;




spread the sto - ry of our God, the Lord of glo - ry.
 his be - friend - ing gives us joy and peace un - end - ing.
 there is man - na and an end - less, glad ho - san - na.
 spread the sto - ry of our God, the Lord of glo - ry!

God of Mercy, God of Grace


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1 God of mer - cy, God of grace, Show the bright-ness of your face.
2 Let the peo - ple praise you, Lord! Be by all that live a - dored.
3 Let the peo - ple praise you, Lord, Then en - joy your rich re - ward!



Shine up - on us, Sav - ior, shine; Fill your Church with light di - vine,
Let the na - tions shout and sing Glo - ry to their Sav - ior King,
God to us his bless - ing give, We to God de - vot - ed live,



And your sav - ing health ex - tend To the earth's re - mot - est end.
At your feet their trib - ute pay, And your ho - ly will o - bey.
All be - low and all a - bove One in joy and light and love.

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UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE AT OUR SAVIOR

June 4th

11:30am Help Outreach distribute VBS Door Hangers

June 14th

Last day for VBS Registration

June 18th

9:15am Farewell for The Christie and Pappenfuss Families

July 10th – July 14th

VBS at Our Savior

July 23rd

9:15am Thank you for Pastor Papenfuss

4:00pm Installation Service for Pastor Fischer

THIS WEEK AT OUR SAVIOR

Sunday (6/4) **8:00 am** **Worship Service w/Communion**
 9:15 am Adult Bible Study – In Church
 10:30 am **Worship Service w/Communion**
 11:30 am Distribute VBS Invites – Meet in FLC

Wednesday 8:30 pm Men’s Softball Game

Thursday **7:00 pm** **Worship Service**

Sunday (6/11) **8:00 am** **Worship Service**
 9:15 am Adult Bible Study - In Church
 10:30 am **Worship Service**

*LiveStream on Youtube Channel at 10:30am every Sunday
This service is also recorded for review after livestream.
Link on our website (see below).*

THIS WEEK’S WORSHIP SERVICE

**GOD CALLS US TO BE HIS
CHILDREN**

PASTOR:
CHARLES PAPENFUSS

KEYBOARD:
Emily Christie

HYMNS: As Printed

FIRST LESSON:
Genesis 1:1-3

SECOND LESSON:
2 Corinthians 13:11-14

GOSPEL LESSON:
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