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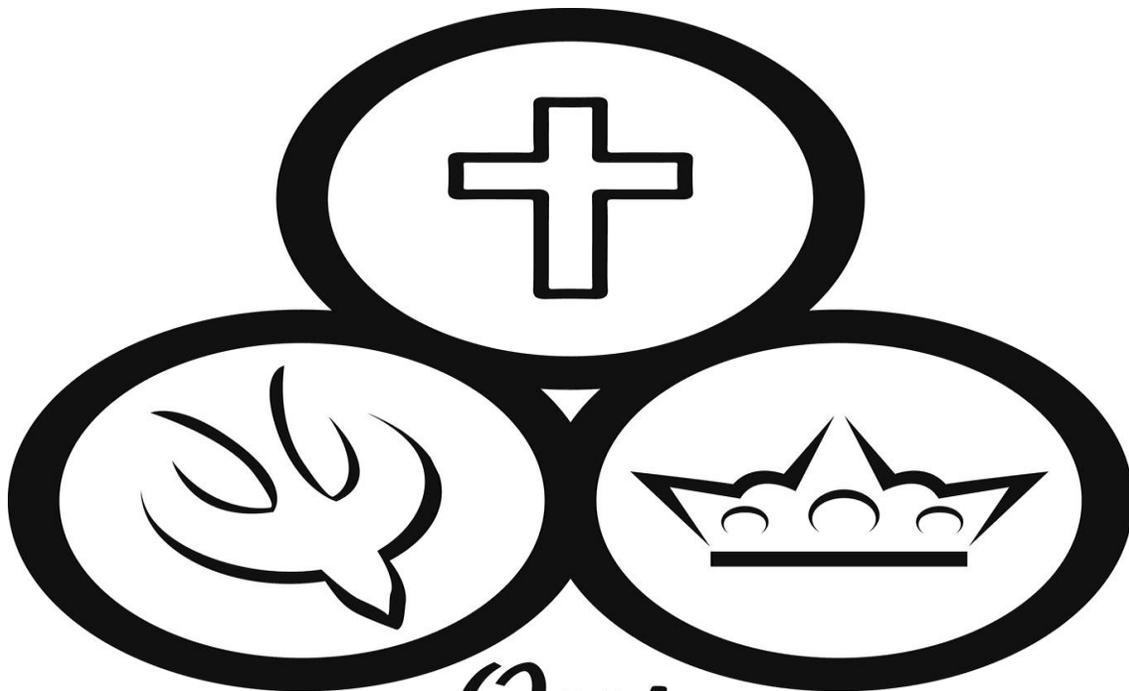
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# **Holy Trinity Sunday**

## **June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020**



*Our*

**T R I U N E**  
**G O D**

## HOLY COMMUNION IS CELEBRATED AT OUR SERVICE

Oneness at communion presupposes oneness in doctrine. For this reason we practice close communion, and ask guests desiring to commune to speak with the pastor before the service. To those communicants with dietary needs we offer gluten free wafers.

### AS WE GATHER

The great fifty days of our Easter celebration have passed for another year, crowned by the climax of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. Today we celebrate the doctrine of the mystery of the one true God. Our celebration, however, seems to say, "Easter isn't really over." Even though we have rebelled and brought death by our sin, still God's glorious and "very good" creation has become even better in Christ, with eternal life the way God originally intended things to be. This is the great good news we proclaim all our days by which God brings forgiveness and life to all, making disciples in all the nations of the earth. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

WORDS OF WELCOME

Elder of the Day

OPENING HYMN

*"Alleluia! Let Praises Ring"*

LSB 822

INVOCATION & OPENING SENTENCES

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

Pastor: My soul, now praise your Maker!

**People: Let all within me bless His name.**

Pastor: Forget Him not whose meekness, Still bears with all your sin.

**People: Who leaves no suff'rer friendless, But rights the wronged at last.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Let us confess our waywardness and sin in order that we may rise to newness of life by faith, that we may be His own and live under Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness.

**People: O God, our Creator and Redeemer, hear our pleas for mercy. We have turned away from You and rebelled against You by going our own way. Because of our sin, we have discovered it is not good for us to be alone, without You. For the sake of the glory and honor of the salvation won for us in Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, forgive us and restore in us the image of Your own life and love. Amen.**

Pastor: God offers all His treasure  
Of justice, truth, and righteousness,  
His love beyond all measure.  
And high as heaven above us,  
So far, since He has loved us,  
He puts our sins away.

Therefore, in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People: Amen.**

**HYMN**

*“Holy, Holy, Holy”*

LSB 507

**SALUTATION & PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

**People: O God who brings all things into being and restores all things into the fellowship of Your mercy, help us to grow in the faith and joy of Your salvation, that we may live and proclaim Your righteousness to all the world; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

† WORD †

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Genesis 1:1–2:4a*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**

*Psalm 8*

Leader: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!

**People: You have set Your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouth of babes and infants, You have established strength because of Your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.**

Leader: When I look at Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and stars, which You have set in place,

**People: what is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You care for him? Yet You have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.**

Leader: You have given him dominion over the works of Your hands;

**People: You have put all things under his feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.**

**All:** O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth! Glory be to the Father and to ✠ the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**SECOND READING**

*Acts 2:14a, 22–36*

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 28th chapter.

**People:** Glory to You, O Lord.

**GOSPEL READING**

*Matthew 28:16–20*

Leader: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** Praise to You, O Christ.

**CREED**

*Athanasian Creed (Part 1)*

Pastor: Today we are marveling at the grace of God in paying attention to us and saving us, although we are a seemingly insignificant part of His creation. The grace of God is also apparent as the Church has sought to confess the witness of Scripture. As we cannot comprehend the vastness of space, so we cannot understand God's nature as three persons in one Godhead. We will confess our faith today using the first half of the Athanasian Creed.

Pastor: Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic faith. Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.

**People:** And the catholic faith is this, that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity,

Pastor: neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.

**People:** For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.

Pastor: But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.

**People:** Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:

Pastor: the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated; the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite; the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.

**People:** And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,

Pastor: just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinities, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.

**People:** In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;

Pastor: and yet there are not three Almighty's, but one Almighty.

**People:** So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God; and yet there are not three Gods, but one God. So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord;

Pastor: and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord. Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.

**People: The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone. The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone. The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.**

Pastor: Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits. And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another; but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.

**People: Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.**

SERMON HYMN

*“God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It”*

LSB 594

SERMON

*“Trying to Read God’s Mind”*

*Romans 11:34-35*

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Almighty God, our Creator and Redeemer, we praise Your name in all Your works of Your creation, but especially for Your work of the redemption of the whole world through the saving sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**People: Guide and govern Your Church throughout the world that the glory of Your righteousness may come to the salvation of all. Lead us in the way of truth that we confess together the unity of faith before the whole world.**

Pastor: To all ministers of the Gospel and the congregations committed to their care, grant the unity of Your grace that they reflect Your own image of mercy, grace, and unity, and please You in all things.

**People: Though there be many divisions between people in this sinful world, have mercy on all who are in the authority of government that their service draw everyone to walk in accordance with Your will and Your commandments.**

Pastor: Help us by our reconciliation with You also to be reconciled with one another.

**People: May forgiveness and love prevail in our marriages, families, and especially as faithful disciples of Jesus in the Church and our daily lives.**

*Individual petitions may be added here.*

Pastor: *(Special petitions that end in, “Lord in Your mercy”).*

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Pastor: God of mercy, You have revealed Your will that all should come to the knowledge of the truth and be saved. In unity also with all those who have gone before us in saving faith, strengthen in us that living hope of the resurrection and the life of the world to come that we live in faith and joy.

**All: To You, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.**

## OFFERING

### ✠ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT ✠

#### PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

#### PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God. To a lost and lonely world, You sent Your only Son, who restored and reconciled us by His blood, and, by the power of His resurrection, has brought eternal life to light by the Gospel. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

#### SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might;  
Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.  
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

#### WORDS OF OUR LORD

#### PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**People: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

#### LORD'S PRAYER

#### PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People: Amen.**

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS:**

**HYMN**

***“Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”***

CCS 29

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Lord, I lift Your name on high; Lord, I love to sing Your praises.  
I’m so glad You’re in my life; I’m so glad You came to save us.  
You came from heaven to earth to show the way,  
From the earth to the cross my debt to pay;  
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;  
Lord, I lift your name on high.

*(Sung two times)*

**HYMN**

***“Jesus, Name above All Names”***

AGPS 145

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1. Jesus, name above all names, Beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.  
Emmanuel, God is with us, Blessed Redeemer, living Word.
2. Jesus, loving Shepherd vine of the branches, Son of God.  
Prince of Peace, Wonderful counselor Lord of the universe, Light of the world.
3. Jesus, Way of salvation, King of kings, Lord of lords.  
The way the truth, and the Life, Mighty creator, My Savior and friend.

**HYMN**

***“I Lay My Sins on Jesus”***

LSB 606

**POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**People: Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN**

***“Glory Be to God the Father”***

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**OUR WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

**5:30PM WORSHIP**

**Thom Miller**

Elder

**Kris Deardoff**

Organist

**9:00AM WORSHIP**

**Jeff Derksen**

Elder

**Kris Deardoff**

Organist

**Mike Beyer**

Congregational Chairman

**Rick Melius**

Head Elder