

Sunday, June 4, 2023

The Holy Trinity

* stand +kneel

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as people of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Holy, Holy, Holy John B. Dykes arr. Mark Hayes

◆*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who greets us in this and every season,
whose word never fails,
whose promise is sure.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of our neighbors.

Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned.
We have hurt our community.
We have squandered your blessings.
We have hoarded your bounty.
In the name of Jesus,
forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Righteous God,
we confess that we have sinned.
We have failed to be honest.
We have lacked the courage to speak.
We have spoken falsely.
In the name of Jesus,
forgive us and grant us your mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God is a cup of cold water when we thirst.
God offers boundless grace when we fail.
Claim the gift of God's mercy:
you are freed and forgiven
in the name of † Jesus Christ.

Amen.

***GATHERING SONG** (*Sunday only*)

“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty! ”

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

♦ HYMN OF PRAISE (*Sunday Only*) Setting 10

“Glory be to God in Heaven”



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for-give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Genesis 1:1--2:4a

At the beginning of time, God the Creator, God the powerful Word, and God the life-giving Spirit form the earth and all its inhabitants. God sees that all this created work is good and then rests on the seventh day.

¹In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, ²the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” ²¹So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. ²⁵God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

²⁷So God created humankind in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

²⁸God 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 air and over

every living thing that moves upon the earth.” ²⁹God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, 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. ³¹God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

^{2:1}Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. ²And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

^{4a}These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

PSALM: Psalm 8

¹O ¹LORD our Lord,

how majestic is your name in ¹all the earth!—

²**you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of in- ¹fants and children;**

you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe ¹and avenger.

³When I consider your heavens, the work ¹of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set ¹in their courses,

⁴**what are mere mortals that you should be mind- ¹ful of them,
human beings that you should ¹care for them?**

⁵Yet you have made them little less ¹than divine;
with glory and hon- ¹or you crown them.

⁶**You have made them rule over the works ¹of your hands;
you have put all things un- ¹der their feet:**

⁷all ¹flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts ¹of the field,

⁸**the birds of the air, the fish ¹of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths ¹of the sea.**

⁹O ¹LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in ¹all the earth!

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Paul closes a challenging letter to the Corinthians with an appeal to Christian fellowship grounded in the triune harmony of Christ's grace, God's love, and the Spirit's partnership.

[Paul writes:] ¹¹Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹²Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you.

¹³The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

◆ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** *spoken Saturday Sung on Sunday (Setting 10)*



***GOSPEL: Matthew 28:16-20**

After his resurrection, Jesus summons his remaining disciples and commissions them to baptize and teach all nations in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The gospel is announced.

The holy gospel according to Matthew, the 28th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them.

¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

The gospel concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

***HYMN OF THE DAY** (Sunday Only)

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

“Come Join the Dance of Trinity”

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The assembly may be seated.

***APOSTLES CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living 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.

The assembly kneels or sits.

+ **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

Trusting in God's abundant mercy, let us offer our prayers for a world in need.

A brief silence.

Holy three, holy one, you call the church to make disciples of all nations. Encourage bishops, pastors, and deacons in their proclamation of the gospel and direct all the baptized into lives of humble service. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Holy three, holy one, you spoke creation into being and called it good. Protect lands and waters threatened by human misuse and sustain living creatures of every kind: wild animals, birds, fish, and every creeping thing. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Holy three, holy one, you have given humankind authority over the earth. Raise up leaders who listen earnestly, speak honestly, and govern thoughtfully. Heal divisions between nations, that we might agree with one another and live in peace. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Holy three, holy one, you promise to be with us always, to the end of the age. Surround those most in need of your healing presence: any who are lonely, all who are grieving, and those who are sick (*especially*). God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Holy three, holy one, you set the earth on its axis, and we experience the seasons. Strengthen those enduring challenges this summer: those who suffer in the heat, parents overwhelmed by

childcare responsibilities, and children experiencing food insecurity outside of school. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Holy three, holy one, you give rest when our work is done. We give thanks for *(name/s and)* all the saints who now rest in you, confident in the promise of resurrection life in the age to come. God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Receive our prayers and answer us, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

***PEACE**

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.
The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

SIGNS OF FAITH

Magnify The Lord

Hal Wright

The assembly is seated.

OFFERING (Sunday Only)

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.
During this time, the table is set.

After the offering is gathered, the assembly stands

***OFFERTORY** (Sunday Only)

“Now Thank We All Our God”

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Now Thank We All Our God

1 Now thank we all our God
with hearts and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom this world rejoices;
who, from our mothers' arms,
has blest us on our way
with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.

♦ OFFERING PRAYER

God of field and forest, sea and sky,
you are the giver of all good things.

Sustain us with these gifts of your creation,
and multiply your graciousness in us,
that the world may be fed with your love,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

THE 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.**

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

***BLESSING**

The God who calls across the cosmos
and speaks in the smallest seed
✠ bless, keep, and sustain you
now and to the end of the age.
Amen.

***SENDING SONG (Sunday only)**

“Holy God, We Praise Your Name”

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***DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Share the harvest.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Holy, Holy, Holy John B. Dykes arr. Ben Logan

Bulletins are dedicated in memory of David Trumbo by Elona Fromm, Wendy and Trevor Reber.

One vase of altar flowers has been placed in honor of the 15th birthday of Carly Mullins by her family.

One vase of altar flowers has been placed in honor Becky Mairose's birthday by her family.

Important Please sign the Friendship Register in your pew. Members with a change of address or visitors should complete the address section and telephone number. Visitors should also include the name and address of their home church so your home church can be notified that you received communion.

Prayer Requests – Please email or call the church office with your prayer requests. First names only will be used in our worship service that is livestreamed. You may give names to the person leading service prior to start of service.

Pastoral Coverage –Please call Linda in the Church Office with your request.

Reminder: Hospital visits -The church is NOT informed when someone is in the hospital by the hospital. The person hospitalized or a family member must call the church to let us know they want a pastoral visit. If leaving a message on the answering machine, please remember to leave the hospital name and the room number. Some hospitals will not give the room number to a visitor, expecting you to know that.

Attendance for May 28, 2023 66 physically present, 86 views online, 3 shares as of May 30, 2023.

Sponsoring bulletins and flowers is a great way to honor a special event in your loved ones' lives or to remember a loved one who has died. (Please only two vases of flowers per week.) Flowers are now \$15.00 a vase. If flowers are not sponsored, this is an added cost to the church. The charts are on the bulletin board for 2023. There are many empty spaces on the charts.

"Hero Hotline" VBS will be held June 11-15, 2023 from 6:30 to 8:30 in the pavilion.

Council made the difficult decision to modify the worship schedule. Effective May 2023, Saturday evening services will be limited to the first Saturday of the month. The next Saturday evening service will be held June 3, 2023.

The Jolly Quilters have two requests: Full size or larger bed sheets or any piece of material that size are needed to attach to the back of the quilts and 6 mo. to 24 mo. one or two piece baby suits are needed for the baby kits that are assembled and sent to Lutheran World Relief when the quilts are sent every year. As always, if you would like to donate money instead, please place in an envelope marking what the money is to be used for and place it in the offering plate. Any questions, please contact the office. As a side note, the items collected for the personal care kits collected during Lent will be blessed when quilts and other items are blessed.

Due to the current situation, please check with Linda in the office before any doors will be unlocked to gain access to the church during the regular office hours. Any questions, see any council member.

From June 4th through Labor Day weekend, the regular summer service hours will be Sunday at 9 am and the first Saturday of the month at 5 pm.

From May 14th until June 11th the Social Ministry Committee will be sponsoring a collection of paper products for Servants To All. Servants To All is a homeless shelter in Pottsville. Items needed include paper or Styrofoam cups, bowls and plates, plastic ware, paper towels, wipes, small packs of tissues, take out containers, and coffee cups with lids. Any of these items would be appreciated. Please place them in the narthex.

For pastoral emergencies after office hours, you may call Pastor Ken McDowell at 610-207-4783. Please remember this is for pastoral emergencies only, otherwise please call the church office during regular office hours.

If any youth (entering 7th and 8th grades) are interested in joining confirmation classes in September, please contact Linda in the church office.

The ELCA and its predecessor church bodies have been printing periodicals since 1831. Due to the rising costs of paper, ink and postage the issue for November/December 2023 will be the last issue printed and mailed. They are currently producing the Living Lutheran magazine on a website called livinglutheran.org. Starting with the January/February issue, if someone wants a copy and does not have a computer, please contact Linda for a printed copy.

The property committee is having a free for all sale. We have many areas with old and unused yard sale and unused items just laying here. We want to offer these items to the congregation free. After the June 11 and June 25th service you can take your pick. Any property member has the details, see Earl, Eva or Brian for details.

IMPORTANT DATES

June 3 – Saturday evening service at 5 pm

June 3 and 4 – no communion

June 11- Last day for paper products for Servants to All

June 11- Yard sale after service

VBS- June 11-15th at 6:30 pm until 8:30 pm.

June 15- Deadline for newsletter articles for July/August newsletter.

June 25- No communion

June 25- Yard sale after service

July 1- Saturday evening service at 5 pm

STATISTICAL SUMMARY FROM LAST WEEK:

Synod/ELCA Benevolence	\$15.00
Local Benevolence	\$123.00
Current	\$1394.79
Capital Building Fund	\$25.00
Plate Offering	\$87.00

Total Received

\$2553.69

"THE WEEK AT A GLANCE"

Today: 9 am Worship Service- no communion

Monday: 10 am Prayer Shawl

Next Sunday: 9 am Holy Communion Service- Baptism

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Mon: Psalm 29; Job 38:39—39:12; 1 Corinthians 12:1-3

Tues: Psalm 29; Job 39:13-25; 1 Corinthians 12:4-13

Wed: Psalm 29; Job 39:26—40:5; John 14:25-26

Thu: Psalm 50:7-15; Lamentations 1:7-11; 2 Peter 2:17-22

Fri: Psalm 50:7-15; Lamentations 3:40-58; Acts 28:1-10

Sat: Psalm 50:7-15; Exodus 34:1-9; Matthew 9:27-34

ASSISTING AT WORSHIP

Greeter: 9 am Brian Staller

Lector: 9 am Charles Hawk, Sr.

Ushers: 9 am Mike Troxell

Counting Team: Kathie Faust, Debbie Hummel

Council Greeter: 5 pm Brian Ferrence

9 am Trish Krause

Communion Assistants: 5 pm Brian Ferrence

9 am Trish Krause

Church Office Hours: 9 am - 3pm Monday - Friday

Office closed for lunch 12 pm until 12:30 pm

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Phillips, Gaylene Ebling, Connie Klinger, Stacey Rao, Carol Beenick, Shawnette Keller, Aneda Hayes, Betty Strauch and John Strauch, Sr., Nancy Vargas, Jerry Heffleger, Kathy Robinson, Beverly Trumbo, Brian Hunsberger, Randy Ney, Donovan Baker, Kyle Cleary. Peggy Davis, Sue and Harry

Russell, Heather Gruber, and Robert & Joyce Zeledonis. Those serving in the military: Brandon Felty, Karen Hall, Tyler Weller, Edward Hossler, Nick Lentz, Jake Schaeffer, Scott Aungst, Tyler Wolfe, Michael Hamilton, Kristian Svenson, Mark Weinus, Jr., Justin Weller, Jeremy Weaver, Cameron Lutz, Stephanie Boyer, Timothy Bast, Ryan Bast, and Donald Legarht.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!



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!



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 - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.



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!
 which wert and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in pow'r, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt.

Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

Come, Join the Dance of Trinity



1 Come, join the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun—
2 Come, see the face of Trin - i - ty, new - born in Beth - le - hem;
3 Come, speak a - loud of Trin - i - ty, as wind and tongues of flame
4 With - in the dance of Trin - i - ty, be - fore all worlds be - gun,



the in - ter - weav - ing of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.
then blood - ied by a crown of thorns out - side Je - ru - sa - lem.
set peo - ple free at Pen - te - cost to tell the Sav - ior's name.
we sing the prais - es of the Three, the Fa - ther, Spir - it, Son.



The u - ni - verse of space and time did not a - rise by chance,
The dance of Trin - i - ty is meant for hu - man flesh and bone;
We know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth;
Let voic - es rise and in - ter - weave, by love and hope set free,



but as the Three, in love and hope, made room with - in their dance.
when fear con - fines the dance in death, God rolls a - way the stone.
go tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move!
to shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trin - i - ty.

Text: Richard Leach, b. 1953

Music: KINGSFOLD, English folk tune

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Holy God, We Praise Your Name



1 Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we
 2 Hark! The glad ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a -
 3 Lo, the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred
 4 Ho - ly Fa - ther, ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



bow be - fore you. All on earth your scep - ter claim,
 bove are rais - ing; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim,
 name to hal - low; proph - ets swell the glad re - frain,
 three we name you, though in es - sence on - ly one;



all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you. In - fi - nite your
 in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing, fill the heav'ns with
 and the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; and from morn to
 un - di - vid - ed God we claim you and, a - dor - ing,



vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
 sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
 set of sun through the church the song goes on.
 bend the knee while we own the mys - ter - y.

Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900

Music: GROSSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, 1774