

## Holy Trinity Sunday | May 30th, 2021

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### Announcements

- Happy Memorial Day weekend *and* Holy Trinity Sunday!
- Last week's update regarding worship:
  - We'll continue wearing masks so we can continue to sing and we'll receive communion in our pews. Consecrated elements will also be available to use at home.
- Last week we also recognized and blessed our 2021 graduates:
  - Annabelle Davies, Kayden Factor, Paige Johnson, Tara Larsen, Arya Menk, Savannah Overn, Kallie Phillips, Allison Schley, and Karly Sladek.
- We are again collecting things for layette kits and personal care kits.
- Cottage Gatherings | A time of fellowship and feedback
  - Sunday, June 6th @ Wendy's House after worship
  - Thursday, June 10th @ Next Chapter Winery (6:00 w/ Jill)
  - Tuesday, June 22nd @ Church (10:00 w/ Pastor)
  - Tuesday, June 22nd online (7:00 w/ Pastor)

### \*Confession + Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

God, our provider, **help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.**

Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life. **Amen.**

**\*Gathering Hymn** | *Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!* ELW 413

*Holy, hoy, holy, Lord God Almighty!*

*Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.*

*Holy, holy, holly, merciful and mighty!*

*God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

*Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,*

*Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;*

*Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,*

*Which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.*

*Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,*

*Though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,*

*Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,*

*Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity.*

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!*

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

*Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!*

*God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

**\*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.**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

God of heaven and earth, **before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.**

**Children's Message**

**First Reading | Isaiah 6:1-8**

In the year of King Uzziah's death, I saw the Lord sitting on a high and exalted throne, the edges of his robe filling the temple. Winged creatures were stationed around him. Each had six wings: with two they veiled their faces, with two their feet, and with two they flew about. They shouted to each other, saying: "*Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of heavenly forces! All the earth is filled with God's glory!*"

The doorframe shook at the sound of their shouting, and the house was filled with smoke.

I said, "Mourn for me; I'm ruined! I'm a man with unclean lips, and I live among a people with unclean lips. Yet I've seen the king, the Lord of heavenly forces!"

Then one of the winged creatures flew to me, holding a glowing coal that he had taken from the altar with tongs. He touched my mouth and said, "See, this has touched your lips. Your guilt has departed, and your sin is removed."

Then I heard the Lord's voice saying, "Whom should I send, and who will go for us?"

I said, "I'm here; send me."

### **Second Reading | Romans 8:12-17**

So then, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation, but it isn't an obligation to ourselves to live our lives on the basis of selfishness. If you live on the basis of selfishness, you are going to die. But if by the Spirit you put to death the actions of the body, you will live. All who are led by God's Spirit are God's sons and daughters. You didn't receive a spirit of slavery to lead you back again into fear, but you received a Spirit that shows you are adopted as his children. With this Spirit, we cry, "Abba, Father." The same Spirit agrees with our spirit, that we are God's children. But if we are children, we are also heirs. We are God's heirs and fellow heirs with Christ, if we really suffer with him so that we can also be glorified with him.

### **\*Gospel Acclamation**

*Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word.*

*Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.*

*Alleluia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.*

### **\*Gospel Reading | John 3:1-17**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a Jewish leader. He came to Jesus at night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one could do these miraculous signs that you do unless God is with him.”

Jesus answered, “I assure you, unless someone is born anew, it’s not possible to see God’s kingdom.”

Nicodemus asked, “How is it possible for an adult to be born? It’s impossible to enter the mother’s womb for a second time and be born, isn’t it?”

Jesus answered, “I assure you, unless someone is born of water and the Spirit, it’s not possible to enter God’s kingdom. Whatever is born of the flesh is flesh, and whatever is born of the Spirit is spirit. Don’t be surprised that I said to you, ‘You must be born anew.’ God’s Spirit blows wherever it wishes. You hear its sound, but you don’t know where it comes from or where it is going. It’s the same with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

Nicodemus said, “How are these things possible?”

“Jesus answered, “You are a teacher of Israel and you don’t know these things? I assure you that we speak about what we know and testify about what we have seen, but you don’t receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you don’t believe, how will you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has gone up to heaven except the one who came down from heaven, the Human One. Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so must the Human One be lifted up so that everyone who believes in him will have eternal life. God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him won’t perish but will have eternal life. God didn’t send his Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

## **Sermon**

**Hymn of the Day** | *Come, Join the Dance of Trinity*      ELW 412

*Come, join the dance of Trinity, before all worlds begun --*

*The interweaving of the Three, the Father, Spirit, Son.*

*The universe of space and time did not arise by chance,*

*But as the Three, in love and hope, made room within their dance.*

*Come, see the face of Trinity, newborn in Bethlehem;*

*Then bloodied by a crown of thorns outside Jerusalem.  
The dance of Trinity is meant for human flesh and bone;  
When fear confines the dance in death, God rolls away the stone.*

*Come, speak aloud of Trinity, as wind and tongues of flame  
Set people free at Pentecost to tell the Savior's name.  
We know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth;  
Go tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move!*

*Within the dance of Trinity, before all worlds begun,  
We sing the praises of the Three, the Father, Spirit, Son.  
Let voices rise and interweave, by love and hope set free,  
To shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trinity.*

### **\*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.

### **\*Prayers of Intercession**

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

We pray, O God, for your holy church around the world. Revitalize and renew us, that we may be reborn once again through the waters of baptism and the blowing wind of your Spirit. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for your power revealed to us in creation; for cedar and oak trees, for rushing waters, for the echoes of thunder. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We hold before you those who have died in active service. As we honor their courage and cherish their memory, may we put our faith in your future; for you are the source of life and hope. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for healing for all those who suffer, especially Delorish Streich, Darleen Ganfield, Pastor Dave, Nancy Gjerde, Lori Roemhildt, and Jane Lorsung as well as the family and friends of Harriet Schmidt. We also pray for victims and survivors of trauma or violence. Give respite to those living with PTSD or any other mental health concerns. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for this worshiping community, that the splendor of your majesty and the holiness of your mystery may be glorified through our worship and our relationships with one another. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks, O God, for those who have died in the faith. We remember also those whose lives have been lost due to the horrors of war. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. **Amen.**

#### **\*Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

#### **\*Words of Institution**

#### **\*Lord's Prayer**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray: **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.**

#### **\*Communion Distribution + Blessing**

May the body and blood...

#### **\*Final Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine upon you with grace and mercy.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

**\*Sending Hymn** | *This is My Song*

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*This is my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for lands afar and mine.*

*This is my home, the country where my heart is; here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;  
But other hearts in other lands are beating with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.*

*My country's skies are bluer than the ocean, and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.*

*But other lands have sunlight too, and clover, and skies are ev'rywhere as blue as mine.*

*So hear my song, O God of all the nations, a song of peace for their land and for mine.*

*This is my prayer, O God of all earth's kingdoms, your kingdom come; on earth your will be done.*

*O God, be lifted up till all shall serve you, and hearts united learn to live as one.*

*So hear my prayer, O God of all the nations; myself I give you; let your will be done.*

**\*Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**