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“We Are Followers of Christ
And Partners in God’s Work!”

June 7, 2020 ~ Online Service of the Word
The Holy Trinity
1st Sunday after Pentecost

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Though the word trinity is not found in the scriptures, today’s second reading includes the apostolic greeting that begins the liturgy: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. In the gospel Jesus sends his disciples forth to baptize in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. More than a doctrine, the Trinity expresses the heart of our faith: we have experienced the God of creation made known in Jesus Christ and with us always through the Holy Spirit. We celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity in word and sacrament, as we profess the creed, and as we are sent into the world to bear witness to our faith.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Minister  Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People    And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and forever. Amen.
Minister  The Lord be with you.
People    And also with you.
Minister  Let us pray.

A Prayer for the Power of the Spirit among the People of God

We offer a new prayer, composed by Lutherans and Episcopalians, during the pandemic crisis, Presiding Bishop Curry and his Lutheran counterpart, Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, invite congregations to pray this prayer from Pentecost through the first Sunday in September.

God of all power and love, we give thanks for your unfailing presence and the hope you provide in times of uncertainty and loss. Send your Holy Spirit to enkindle in us your holy fire. Revive us to live as Christ’s body in the world: a people who pray, worship, learn, break bread, share life, heal neighbors, bear good news, seek justice, rest and grow in the Spirit. Wherever and however we gather, unite us in common prayer and send us in common mission, that we and the whole creation might be restored and renewed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Minister:  Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. Amen.

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Reconciling God, we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Minister:  Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through ☩ Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are
forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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 PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

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.

20 And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” 21 So 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. 22 God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” 23 And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

24 And 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. 25 God 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.

26 Then 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.”

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

28 God 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.” 29 God 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. 30 And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. 31 God 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. 2 And 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. 3 So 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.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 8 - Read responsively by whole verse

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

2 you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;
you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.

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

4what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them, human beings that you should care for them?

5Yet you have made them little less than divine; with glory and honor you crown them.

6You have made them rule over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet:

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

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

9O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all 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.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

THE HOLY 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 Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you Lord Christ.

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and 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 of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton

HYMN OF THE DAY

Come, Join the Dance of Trinity

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1. 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.

2. 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.

3. 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!

4. 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.

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All: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in
glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Leader and People pray responsively)

Called into unity with one another and the whole creation, let us pray for our shared world.

God of community, you form us as your church. Guide our bishops; Elizabeth the ELCA Presiding Bishop, Jim and Bill our Synodical Bishops, Michael, Episcopal Presiding Bishop, and Audrey, Diocesan Bishop; pastors, especially, Vicar Ginger and Pastor Carenda, deacons, and all the baptized in sharing your life-giving good news with all the world. Strengthen us to be bold in our proclamation. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of creation, you called everything into being. Sustain this world with your renewing care. Inspire us to see waterways, plant life, birds, fish, insects, and mammals and call them good. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of counsel, all authority belongs to you. We pray especially for Donald our President, Tom our Governor, members of Congress, members of the Supreme Court, and all state and local leaders. Encourage the leaders of this and every land to seek peace, equality, healing, and unity. Instill wisdom in advocates who work toward justice in often ignored communities. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of care, you created us in your image. Help us see your likeness in one another. Open our eyes to see and attend to all who face oppression and suffering especially as a result of prejudice and racism. Console, heal, and nourish all in need. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

God of companionship, you accompany this body of faith. As the rhythms of summer begin, protect all who travel, renew all who will enjoy a time of Sabbath, and shelter all who will not be protected from the sun’s heat. Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.
God of compassion, you comfort us in our grief with the promise of the resurrection. We give you thanks for the saints of all time and in our lives. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

Receive these prayers, O God, and those too deep for words; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PEACE

Minister The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

BLESSING OF OFFERINGS

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

All My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord, Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

THE LORD’S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All 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, for ever
and ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Minister May the peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the
knowledge and love of God and of God’s Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of
God Almighty, ✝ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be amongst you and remain with
you always. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

Minister Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, alleluia.
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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Special Notes

PASTORIAL CARE: Under the current Commonwealth of Pennsylvania stay-at-home order, UPMC
Hanover Pastoral Visitation Statement:

“As of May 13, 2020, clergy are now officially considered "essential" for the care of their parishioners
who are in a UPMC hospital. If the patient REQUESTS a visit from his/her pastor, the pastor may
come in to visit. The request for a visit can come to the pastor through the chaplain or directly from
the patient. The pastor should come to the main entrance with the name of the patient. They will be
asked some COVID-19 screening questions, have their temperature taken, and given a mask, if they
don't already have one.”

Until we are able to meet again in person, we will continue to have services available online. Search
YouTube for “All Saints Episcopal Church, Hanover, PA” or “St Paul’s Lutheran Broadway” or check
out our Facebook pages or All Saints’ website at allsaintshanover.diocpa.org. You do not need an
account to access the service on either of these platforms.
In Our Prayers

All Members and Friends of

All Saints Episcopal Church but especially...

Loved ones in need of prayer: Jody B., Regina O., Agnes S., Jean S., Nancy F., Frances K., The R. Family, Sandy M., the family of Bob G., Cindy, Jeanne, Ashley R.,
Confirmation Students: Owen and Grace Allen

St. Paul’s Broadway but especially...

“Our Members Who Are at Home”: Polly Braun, Margie Brooks, George Bubb, Alfie Haney, Alice Hartsock, Pat Martin, Norma Mummert, Esther Schuck, Richard Schuman, Rosella Shearer, and Dolly Winters

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Friends and Family of Mike Lillich and Romaine Spangler

All those serving in the Military including Major Robert Copper Jr., Troy Cromer, Derek Dickerson, Frank Hewett, and Mathew Miller

All who Battle Addiction and Mental Illness - The Lutheran congregations of this community and all believers - All Victims of Violence and Terrorism

Prayer Requests will remain on the Prayer List for a period of one month unless we are informed differently. If there are additions or corrections to the prayer list, please let Vicar Bennett or Allison Wentz know.